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Court challenge

Municipalities in northern Victoria are taking the provincial government to court.

Five municipalities and a citizens group have launched a court challenge to the restructuring process which is being imposed on the county by Queen's Park. The court action was announced February 29.

Backing the court initiative are the municipalities of Somerville, Bexley, Bobcaygeon/Verulam, Fenelon and the Village of Sturgeon Point, plus a Citizen's Group headed by John Panter.

"The legal grounds being advanced are the government violation of the constitutional guarantee of reasonable autonomy for municipalities, and violation of the government and the Commission of the principles of natural justice and fairness," the release stated.

The group has hired lawyer Michael Melling to ask the Superior Court to stop the one man restructuring commission appointed by the province. The court has agreed to hear the arguments March 20.

Commissioner Harry Kitchen was appointed in December, following a request from the Town of Lindsay and Emily Township, to decide how the restructuring of the county was to take place. Under the terms of these Commissions, the decision of the arbiter is binding and cannot be challenged. Kitchen has held a number of public hearings and issued a draft report. In statements made at the hearings and in his report, Kitchen appears to favour a single tier government for the entire county.

Referring to a statement from Tony

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So this is curling?

The sport of curling advanced to a new level this weekend as these two costumed teams squared off at the Minden club on Saturday. The teams were participating in the annual Straw and Stone Bonspiel, in which, according to tradition, curlers add a little zest to the competition by dressing up for the occasion. The 'ladies' of the house, in the front row, included from the left, Ryan Cole, Murray Cooper, Carol Gillespie and Zelda Cooper. The pair of Draculas and their victims in the back row included Jenn Minto, Jason Scott, Erin Kernohan and Trevor Cole.

A balancing act:

Drafting environmental policies for the county's evolving official plan will likely be a tricky balancing act.

That was the impression coming out of a meeting February 18 at the county office in Minden. Close to 75 interested citizens attended the mid-afternoon meeting to express their opinions on how best to incorporate environmental protection into the plan currently being drafted for the county.

More than a few speakers called for a need for balance when adding their perspective to the discussions. Led by planners Steve Janes and Gary Davidson, the two London Ontario area consultants encouraged those in attendance to voice their concerns regarding policies which should be endorsed to ensure the ongoing protection of the environment.

Janes explained at the official plan meetings, this was the second in a number of public discussions, are designed to create a guide for the restructured county which comes into being January 1. He said the policies

must meet the needs of the county as a whole and yet be able to be implemented by the lower tier municipalities. As an example, he said the county could set parameters for lake capacity but it could be up to the municipalities to implement them. "Planning requires local decision making to make it work," he told the meeting.

He suggested that there were a number of approaches which could be taken in setting policy: by watershed, lakes, or by political boundaries. Most appeared to accept that a watershed approach, or one which divides it into smaller units, would be the best approach in the Highlands. He pointed out that this option implies a willingness to accept responsibility not only for the water in our own lakes and rivers, but also for the water we send on to other communities downstream. "A watershed approach has no respect for political boundaries," Janes commented.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey pointed out the municipal level of

Searching for development options that protect the environment

government has little control over the water in the Highlands. He said that Parks Canada, through the Trent Severn Canal, has ultimate control over the amount of water drained from the area's lakes. "As the headwaters (the top of the watershed) what we do with the water has an impact downstream," Davidson said. He said many people bring different perspectives and concerns to the discussion. "We have to find a balance between what we want and the requirements of the federal and provincial authorities."

Area resident Ross Warburton pointed out that the surface water in the county is owned by the public and not by individuals or associations.

Jim Davis suggested that an environmental policy must be fair to everyone but it must also ensure that those who cause environmental disruptions be involved in the rehabilitation. It was suggested that limits could be set on waterfront development.

The planner pointed out that in doing so, the community must be pre-

pared to deal with the individuals who will be denied the opportunity to develop their property.

Retired forester Brian Cross said that while the watershed approach has appeal, it does not address the needs of other ecosystems which operate within the Highlands. He noted that a watershed may not be identical to the movement of ground-water or vegetation or animal ecosystems. "The boundaries can become fuzzy," he said, when these other important aspects of the environment are taken into consideration.

The planner suggested that no matter how the area is defined, there will be some elements which do not fit the mould exactly, which is the nature of the environment. "We have to find the correct balance or we end up with a crisis and then the only answer is to stop."

Haliburton surveyor Curry Bishop expressed concern that a watershed approach would lead to a complete halt

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This year's World Day of Prayer focused on Indonesia and the oppression suffered by the people of that strife-torn country. Services were held locally in Minden at Hyland Crest and in Kinmount at that community's Baptist Church on Friday March 3. Leading the Minden service, representing various faiths in the community were, from the left, Ila Cooper, Lorna Hicks, Lil Mann and Cindy Shorey.



Police search ends in Coboconk

The search for two men in the bush in the Coboconk area has been called off.

Ontario Provincial Police mounted a massive search in the Coboconk area on Saturday involving the OPP tactical unit, tracker dogs and the force's helicopter. The police combed the wooded area behind the IGA store just off Highway 35.

The search was prompted shortly after 2 p.m. when an unidentified man escaped from a vehicle in the community claiming that the other two people in the car had abducted him and were intending to kill him. Witnesses say the assailants followed the man into the Riverview Restaurant and attempted to wrestle him back into the vehicle.

Police arrived on the scene and discovered the empty car the pair had been driving. The two were seen fleeing into the wooded area behind the IGA store.

The two suspects were described as non-white with tanned skin in their mid to late 20's. A police press release said the pair were believed to be armed with guns. The police issued a warning to the public to be cautious if seeing the two men.

Early Sunday morning a spokesman for the Coboconk detachment of the OPP said the search for the pair had been called off and that the investigation of the incident had been turned over to the Metro Toronto Police. No other details were available.

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Clemment, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in December, "Our first preference has always been for municipalities to develop local solutions for restructuring," a press release from the municipalities said, "We are at a loss to understand how the government can profess to prefer local restructuring solutions and support that position by approving the amalgamations of Carden/Dalton and Bobcaygeon/Verulam and then ignore that decision within a few short hours and appoint a Commission. What part of local restructuring solutions doesn't the government understand?"

The press release also noted three other townships, Bexley, Laxton, Digby and Longford and Somerville had started a process that appeared to be leading toward amalgamation.

The protesters noted that Emily Township and Lindsay represented 30% of the county's population. "Apparently the other 16 municipalities and 70% of the population that didn't want a restructuring commission don't count for very much," Citizen Group spokesman John Panter said.

Reeve Faye McGee of Fenlon Falls said, "The coalition also takes issue with the timing of the appointment of the commission, just before Christmas, during the time of the year when Victoria County's seasonal residents may not even be aware of what is happening. The process itself has been flawed from the very beginning. It has been a rush job and the haste has been reflected in the (draft) report's conclusions. We regret that it became necessary to commence court action, but it has become apparent that the wishes of the majority are being ignored. The legal approach is our only recourse," she concluded.

February weather

by Phil Graham

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Average high	0	32
Average low	-12.5	9.5
Average for last Month	-6.2	20.8
Average for last February	-5.1	22.8
Highest temp. (Feb 27)	10	50
Lowest temp. (Feb 12)	-30	-22
Rain	21 mm	0.8 in.
Snow	54 cm	21.2 in.
Total Precipitation	75 mm	2.9 in.
Precip. for last February	56 mm	2.2 in.
Snow on ground (Feb 29)	0	0
Snow on ground Feb. 1999	22 cm	8 in.
Snowfall Nov. 1 to Feb. 29	113 cm	44.4 in.
Days mostly sunny	9	
Days with snow or rain	12	

February was a short month but lots of variety. The first 18 days were cold with the necessary snow finally starting. The last ten days of the month switched to instant Spring, warm days and the end of the snow we had. After all of this, the average temperature of the month was only 1.1 C which was warmer than last February and with slightly more precipitation as well.

Trivia/Information: on Monday March 27 watch "The Nature on Things" on CBC TV at 9 p.m. - The subject is Canadian Weather.



Top talkers advance to zone competition

Candace Lowes and Allison Lytle represented students from Archie Stouffer Elementary School in the Royal Canadian Legion Public Speaking contest in Bobcaygeon on Sunday.

The two were among eight speakers who competed in the junior and intermediate divisions Monday, February 24 at the Branch 636 in Minden.

The speakers were chosen for the local finals following competitions at the school. Intermediate winner Candace Lowes brought smiles to the audience as she spoke about humour, while junior contest winner, Allison Lytle, recounted her family's fun when they rented a cottage on Red Pine Lake.

Legion Youth Chair Francine Newton commended all the speakers for their excellent presentations. "Although the judges must choose one person to advance to the Zone competitions, you are all winners in our minds," she told the students.

All those who competed are seen above with Legion President Maurice Winterflood, left and Youth Chairman Francine Newton. The speakers include, from the left, front row, intermediate finalists, Vanessa Davis, Ryan Cole, Matt Allore and Candace Lowes. In the back row, the junior speakers, from the left, Allison Lytle, Amanda Lytle, Mckye Shaw and Brittany Hicks.

Little Theatre to host competition

Live theatre enthusiasts will have an opportunity to enjoy a smorgasbord of full length plays March 22 to 25.

During that week, the Highlands Little theatre will host Curtain Up, the Eastern Ontario Drama League's competition for amateur theatre. Four theatre groups from the region will present full length productions on successive nights at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton.

Debra Dart and Caryl Moulton are co-chairing the event. "This is a real feather in our caps," Douglas said last week. "We are pleased to welcome the four groups to our community and the theatre."

It is because of the new theatre that Highlands Little Theatre decided to extend an invitation to EODL to hold the annual competition here. "We knew with the new facility that we could host the theatre companies in the Highlands," Dart added. Some have been to the community already to look at the theatre and all are very impressive with what is available here."

Currently six theatre groups are vying for the four finalist positions. They are presenting their productions in their home theatres where they are being judged. Once the adjudicator has seen all six plays, four will be chosen to be presented at the theatre in Haliburton.

"When the plays are performed here, veteran adjudicator, theatre director and theatre arts instructor, Jane Carnwath, will assess each entry and award prizes in a variety of categories," Dart explained.

It is expected that the adjudicator will share her thoughts on the play with the members of the audience immediately following the production and then meet with the cast and crew in a private session to offer a more detailed assessment of the production. Prizes will be awarded to the theatre groups at a wrap-up luncheon to be held Sunday, March 26 at the school cafeteria, with awards presentations to follow in the theatre. During the luncheon, cast members from the up-coming high school production of

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HHHS examining information system options

Highlights of the Information Systems Strategic Plan were presented to the HHHS board at its February 24 meeting at the Haliburton Hospital by HHHS executive director Foster Loucks. The board was told that it is imperative for the Information System be upgraded to be compatible with other hospitals in the area. The system currently in use in Haliburton County is not compatible with the systems used at hospitals in Peterborough and

Lindsay.

The ability to exchange information between facilities is essential when a patient is transferred, for example, from Haliburton or Minden hospitals to Peterborough. Critical information regarding the patient's condition and medical background can be transferred electronically and be there before the patient arrives.

The Haliburton system is one that was used by St. Joseph's Hospital. That

system is not compatible with either the Peterborough Civic or Ross Memorial program.

Of the five hospitals in the region, few have the ability to transfer information back and forth because they use different software packages. Ross Memorial has recently invested \$4-million in its information system while Peterborough Civic has between \$6- and \$7-million.

"Loucks posed the question,

"shouldn't we be trying to make all five hospitals sing from the same hymn book."

Although Peterborough and Lindsay hospitals use different systems, there are systems available to interface the two programs.

Loucks suggested that the Haliburton and Minden hospitals partner with either Peterborough or Lindsay to ask for quotes.

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Searching for balance in the official plan

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in development. He suggested that a request to sever a single lot could trigger a study which could encompass the entire watershed. "We must keep this local and ensure that any new lots or development do not create pollution. If we do that, then everything else will look after itself."

It was noted that, increasingly, the responsibility for protecting the environment is falling to the municipalities, the level of government with limited resources and expertise to protect it.

Developer Gary Vasey called for a balanced approach. He pointed out an effort to create a waterfront subdivision on Redstone Lake has taken him ten years to complete. "I would prefer a lake by lake approach rather than the entire watershed," suggesting that additional regulations will result in even longer delays for developers.

Louis Trepanier suggested that the county should institute a mandatory septic inspection program. He pointed out that the topography offers little soil to filter septic tank outflows and so something must ensure the systems are operating as they should be to protect the environment. Another

speakers proposed that a mandatory septic inspection take place whenever a property is sold.

Carolynn Coburn, chair of the Haliburton County Environment Committee said she saw no reason for conflict between development and protecting the environment. "The two should go hand-in-hand. We don't want a Mississauga here." She pointed out that what attracts people to the area is the unpolluted environment.

Another speaker suggested we should ask ourselves: "Why we like to live here?", and then design policies that respond to and protect the answers to that question.

Before the session ended, it was pointed out that while the discussion had been enlightening, those who were working and seasonal residents were unable to attend and contribute because of the scheduling of the meeting.

The meeting was designed as an opportunity to exchange opinions on what should be included in the official plan regarding the environment. No decisions or conclusions were reached at the end of the gathering. However, a number of issues emerged which will likely play a major role in the development of any of-

ficial plan:

- protection of the environment, especially the quality of the water, is of key importance.
- whatever standards are set, they must be applied fairly and equitably across the county.
- we must regain control of the outflow of water from the watershed.
- growth is inevitable but it must be done in an environmentally responsible manner. (One speaker called for environmentally sensitive business people and business sensitive environmentalists.)
- policies must protect the area's way of life, society and economy (Reeve Murray Fearrey noted: "I am not proud that this area has the lowest average income in all of Ontario.")
- development must be consistent with wise stewardship practises.

Snowdon Reeve Ross Rigney summed up his feelings, and perhaps those of many in the room when he commented, "I want to leave my kids and grandchildren a place as good as I have enjoyed."

The official plan open houses continue. The next session on settlement patterns will be held March 10 at 1 p.m. at the county building in Minden.

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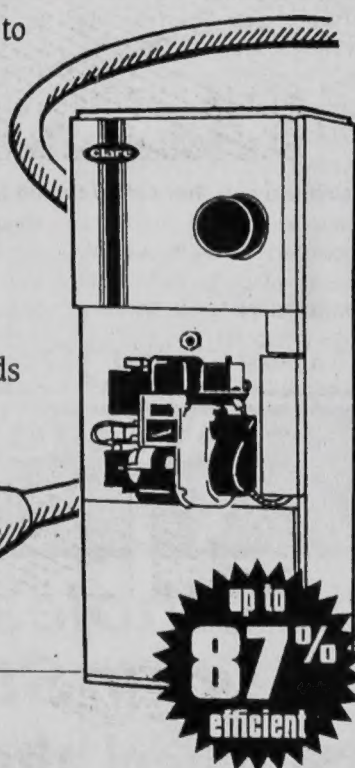
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Man dies in single car accident

A Stanhope man is dead following a single car accident on County Road 121, Lutterworth Township, south of Minden February 27.

Gerald Johnson, 66, was travelling north when his vehicle crossed the opposite lane, into the ditch and crashed into a rock cut.

Johnson, a retired minister who was an active member of the Anglican parish in Haliburton, was alone in the car at the time of the mishap. The Minden Fire Department was called to the scene shortly before 7 p.m. to extricate the man from the wrecked vehicle.

Johnson was taken to Minden Hospital and air lifted to St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto where he succumbed to his injuries. A post mortem was carried out February 29.

Police say the mishap occurred on a straight stretch of Highway and there was no obvious cause for the collision. The man is reported to have told rescuers that he had fallen asleep at the wheel of his vehicle.

Phoney fifties

Counterfeit \$50 bill have surface in Haliburton Village.

The Haliburton Highland Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police report that several of the phoney bills have been found in deposits made at Bank of Montreal. It is expected that the bills were accepted unknowingly by area merchants. The serial numbers on the bills are: FHE52673, FHJ2580658 and FHC0990197.

Merchants requiring information on how to recognize counterfeit currency can contact Constable Laura Ostler at the Minden detachment office, 705-286-1431.

Break-ins

The police are investigating a number of break-in which occurred in the county recently.

A 1988 Arctic Cat Panther 500 snowmobile was taken from a property on Blue Jay Court in Guilford Township. The machine was taken sometime since December 25 of last year. It had been parked on the rear deck of the cottage.

A Husqvarna chain saw and a Koss CD player were taken from a cottage on Fleming Road in Anson Township on February 25. The theft occurred during the afternoon when the owner was away from the property. Police believe that an ATV may have been used by the thief.

Two cords of wood were removed from a sugar shack on Shaws Road in Snowdon Township. The theft was reported February 26 and is believed to have taken place in the two weeks prior to that date.

A kitchen table and chairs were removed from a cottage on West Bob Lake Road in Minden Township. Reported on February 26, the theft took place sometime since November of last year.

Nothing was reported missing in a number of other break-ins including one reported February 26 at a cottage shed on Concession 5 in Lutterworth Township; another on Concession 2 in Glamorgan Township reported March 1; and at a hunt camp on Concession 9 in Hindon Township. In the latter incident windows, dishes and a stove were damaged.

A 1985 burgundy coloured GMC Renault was removed from a residence on County Road one in Dysart Township. The theft took place sometime during the night of February 28-29.

Police are investigating damage to a number of mail boxes on the Parish Line in Dysart Township. Several mail boxes had been damaged during the night of February 26-27. Anyone with information on these or other incidents under investigation are asked to contact the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police at 705-286-1431 or Crime Stoppers at 1-

800-563-8477.

Victoria County thefts

Members of the Victoria County detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police are investigating a series of break-ins on the Hilton Point Road in Laxton Township. Three cottages were broken into during the week prior to February 25. Electronic goods and tools valued at more several thousand dollars were taken in the break-ins.

The OPP is also investigating the theft of a vehicle from a residence off Highway 35 in Coboconk. Taken some-

time during the night of February 28-29 was a 1990 Dodge Spirit, black cherry in colour.

Anyone with information about these incidents is asked to contact Victoria County OPP at 705-324-6741 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-563-8477.

Driver charged

Police have charged a Stanhope woman with impaired operation of a motor vehicle and driving with a blood/alcohol reading over the legal limit. The woman was charged after a vehicle was noticed in the ditch off Highway 118 March 1.

Charged as a result of the investigation was 45 year old Laurene Tulk. She will appear in Minden court on April 5.

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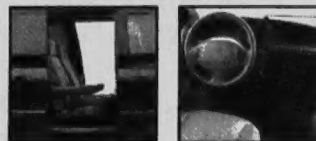
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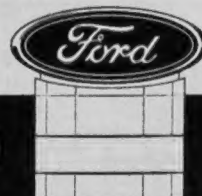
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Editorial

Fix it

We believe that Canadians would rather have their politicians fix this country's medicare system than spend their energy arguing about it. Unfortunately, the latter course seems to be the one chosen by those we have elected to represent our interests.

Whenever the health system comes up for discussion, politicians weigh in by hurling accusations at each other. Often couched in personal terms, this peacock posturing does nothing to resolve the underlying problems that

are eating away at a system of which Canadians were justifiably proud. And while all this bickering is taking place, bits and pieces of the system are being dismantled or lost...all because someone is more interested in scoring a few points in the media and than straightening it out.

Stop the bickering and get down to the work we elected you people to do. Canadians want a publicly funded health care system that provides prompt, efficient and up to

date service to everyone in this country. If the system needs fixing, fix it. If it needs more professionals to staff it, find them, hire them, or train them. If it needs more public money to deliver the services we are asking for, we understand you have plenty, put it to work to ensure that we have a health service that protects everyone for years to come.

There is an opportunity here for elected officials to go down in the history books as either the ones who saved the Canadian medical care system or the ones who stood by and argued while the system fell apart. God help us if they choose the latter.

jb

Une classe française s'il vous plait

Editor:

I would like to express a public thank you to Dale Robinson, Area Superintendent and Cheryl Murdoch, School Board Trustee of the Trillium Lakelands Board of Education for their understanding, their quick response time, and their belief in equal opportunity for education in Haliburton County.

In early February, I made a call to Dale asking him if Haliburton County was going to be offering French Immersion to it's students in the upcoming school year. He said that he was unsure if Haliburton had enough students to be able to provide the service but he was willing to meet with a group of at least

10 people who were interested. On February 28, 10 parents and interested individuals attended a meeting with Dale and Cheryl. At that meeting all of our thoughts and ideas were heard. They agreed that since French Immersion was being offered in Victoria County and Muskoka, if there were enough students requesting it in Haliburton, they would do their best to provide it here.

The results of the meeting were that the Board of Education would hold a public information meeting on French Immersion in mid-March. The date, time and location will be advertised in the paper. Following that they would hold registration in early April for students who are interested in participating in the French Immersion program. Dale said that for this program to be offered in Haliburton County, he needed to have at least 20 students signed up from Senior Kindergarten through to grade 3. Once he has a commitment from the parents of the required number of students, then the Board would advertise for a teacher.

If you are interested in learning more about French Immersion watch for the advertisement in the newspaper as to when the meeting is. If you are already interested and if your children will be in Senior Kindergarten up to grade 3 next year, watch the newspa-

pers for the date of registration,

Also if anyone has any questions they could call me at 489-2680.

Michele Bromley,
Stanhope.

Under MNR authority

Editor:

Recently, there has been a number of letters in the papers, containing the following, or similar, words; "who gave permission to the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) to stock the lake."

The answer to that question is, the one and only body which can authorize the stocking of fish in Crown lakes and rivers, is the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR).

Accordingly, when the HHOA stocks fish, it does so, not by it's choice, but solely as directed by the MNR.

Geoff Robinson
Secretary, HHOA

Enjoys the historical stories

Editor:

I just wanted to say how much I enjoyed the short stories, "Remembering When" by John Hulbig in your paper and hope that he has more to come.

Mariam Aggett
Kinmount

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Editor:

I would like to thank all the people involved with the Beaver sleep over at the Scout Hall on Friday, February 25 and Saturday, February 26.

This was my son Nicholas' first organized group sleep over, and it was a resounding success. He had a great time, and although I expected the phone to ring at some point over the weekend to get him and bring him home, it never happened. Obviously,

Kudos for a good try

Editor:

Being employed in the downtown area for a few months now, I've had the opportunity to witness the great efforts that Eric Beaulieu put forth to organize a local winter carnival.

Many interesting activities had to be cancelled due to unco-operative weather, and Eric took great pains to carry on anyway.

I think a "Thank-you" is in order to Eric for giving it his best shot.

We look forward to other events in the future.

Sheri Hawkins and Family,
Minden.

despite the inclement weather, the leaders managed to organize events and entertain the boys.

LDL needs a new fire truck

Editor:

Ladies and gentlemen, let's look at the facts. The townships of Laxton, Digby, Longford and the supporting township of Lutterworth need a new fire truck, not another hall. The existing fire truck is over twenty years old, and it cannot go on forever.

Let's boil this down a little bit. As you are reading this letter, take a moment to look around you. You are the King/Queen of your castle. Look at all the precious items that go into making that castle so comfortable... the loving family members, the new easy chair you are now resting in, or that new television you are enjoying. What happens, if all this suddenly catches fire in the middle of the night? What's the first telephone number that comes to mind? My bet is 911. Let's also visualize the 18 plus men jumping out of bed to save your castle.

Friends, unless you get behind these courageous men, and help support the purchase of a new fire truck,

(more on page 8)

This kind of dedication to our youth is a wonderful thing, and we should let those people involved know how much we appreciate their dedication and hard work. At a time when youth violence, apathy and busy-ness tends to be commonplace, here are people volunteering their time to give our youth something better.

Kudos to the leaders and the parent volunteers who gave my son's first experience at a sleep over a positive in a world full of negatives!!

Gaye Coneybeare Botticella,
Minden.

The rules

The Times welcomes signed letters to the editor on subjects of interest to our readers. Short letters are most likely to be chosen for publication, but the use of any material is at the discretion of the editor. The editor reserves the right to edit letters to meet space requirements, for clarity or to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy. Upon request, names may be withheld, but only very rarely and for compelling reasons. Letters published do not necessarily reflect the editorial policies or beliefs of this newspaper. All letters must bear the handwritten signature of the writer and include the address and phone number for verification purposes.

'With every breath you take'

So there I was, strolling through Victoria's beautiful Beacon Hill Park alongside my favourite herborizational botanist. (Okay, the only herborizational botanist I know - or have ever heard of.) Anyway, there we were, the two of us, meandering through the underbrush. I would point at a shrub and she would say lycium halimifolium. I would gesture at a huge towering tree. Juglans nigra, she would explain. Finally we came to a scraggly leafless shrub festooned with hundreds and hundreds of little white berries.

"What's that?" I asked my herborizational botanist.

"Indian Listerine" she replied.

"Huh?" I parried. "Bite one" she said. I popped a berry in my mouth and chomped down - POW! - an explosion of tart, bitter tanginess filled my mouth. "Wow!" I said. "Tastes like...like..."

"Mouthwash?" prompted my botanist. I nodded. She smiled and said "That's why we call it Indian Listerine."

Imagine that. All my life I thought it was only us white folk who were neurotic about mouth odor. Turns out the aboriginals were way ahead of us.

Call it halitosis, morning breath, jungle mouth - or you can call it money in the bank. A lot of business interests make an awful whack of money out of

our oral odor neurosis. All those brands of chewing gum, breath mints, mouth washes - all designed to convince us that we don't have bad breath after all.

Some folks are never convinced. There is a medical condition known as delusional halitosis, in which the victims are absolutely certain they have terribly noxious breath. Delusional halitosis sufferers have been known to give up their careers, convinced that no one could stand to work with them. Others have even attempted suicide. There is one famous case in which the patient brushed her teeth obsessively, continuously, until her gums bled. Nurses reported that she went through an entire tube of toothpaste in just four hours.

What's painfully ironic is the fact that most sufferers of delusional halitosis have no perceptible breath odor at all. They just think they do.

Well, they may be delighted to learn about the latest weapon in the anti-odor arsenal - especially if they're women. It's a creation from Elizabeth Arden Incorporated called Lip Lip Hooray. It's a lipstick that's infused with a mint-flavored breath freshener and zinc citrate - a chemical that neutralizes sulfur compounds that

contribute to breath odor. Can't you just hear the TV ads already? "New Lip Lip Hooray - it'll take your breath away!" For a price of course. Lip Lip Hooray lipstick is on sale in select New York boutiques right now. It's selling like hotcakes - and it'll only set you back about \$22 a tube. Which would buy an awful lot of Chlorets.

Personally, I think I'll stick with Indian Listerine. It's even cheaper.

It's important to keep a sense of perspective when it comes to bad breath. Even the best of us can suffer from it. Why, I once knew an Indian yogi who spurned almost everything the material world had to offer. He wore nothing but a large white robe; ate less than a chickadee - didn't even have a MasterCard. Living on little more than nuts and berries, he was quite thin - frail even. Except for his feet. Going barefoot even through the winter, had hardened his feet considerably with a thick layer of callouses.

Now you would think a man who lived such a pure life would be free of earthly afflictions, would you not? Alas, I am sad to relate, my yogi friend suffered from a pretty fierce case of jungle mouth.

Which made him, well... Kind of a super-calloused fragile mystic plagued with halitosis.

Etcetera

Arthur Black

Fire truck

(from page 7)

there won't be a community, let alone a community hall! Whatever you decide to do, just remember that 18+ men can answer your emergency, if they have the new fire truck. Will there be anyone at the new hall in Ward Park to answer the telephone?

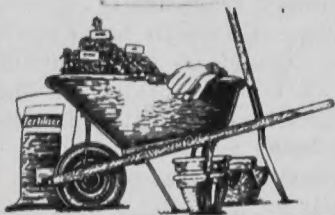
Jack Pearce,
Coboconk



Official Opening

The Bullfrog Bistro, a new eatery in Eagle Lake, was officially opened February 26. The restaurant is part of the Silver Eagle Resort property just off Sir Sam's Road. Doing the honours at the ribbon cutting were owners Larry Tupling and Marj Kennedy, Bistro chef Jodi Strizic and Ted Brandon from MPP Chris Hodgson's office. The restaurant is open Wednesday to Sunday.

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Sports

*Go
Atoms!*

Sixth-game win puts Atoms in semifinals

by Andy Lennox

Minden 1, West Muskoka 1 (OT)

The tension started to get a little out of hand before game five of the All-Ontario Atom quarterfinals between the Minden Monarchs and Muskoka Rattlers.

With Minden's 6-1 victory the night before, in Minden, the concern within the dressing room prior to game five was overconfidence. Everyone as-

sociated with the OMHA Monarchs could remember how Newcastle beat us 5-0 in game four but ended up losing the previous series.

The tension continued to rise as the game started. Line match-ups preoccupied both coaching staffs and this caused numerous delays in play early on. Minden scored first and early when Cody Mills converted a Zac Joanu pass three minutes into the contest to give Minden the 1-0 lead. Four min-

utes later, Muskoka tied the game.

We didn't realize it then but that would be the extent of the scoring.

For the duration of the game, Minden would dominate territorially but Muskoka would break out regularly with quality scoring chances. As the game progressed, Minden goalie David Muir made numerous quality saves that would keep Minden in the game (and in the series). Minden would force the play, but appeared tight at the same time.

The deadlocked game went into overtime, but there would be no resolution in game five. This series would go to game six.

Minden 4, West Muskoka 3

Many Minden parents tried to loosen things up by having visitors and play-dates for their kids on the morning of this pivotal game. Nevertheless the stress level started to rise as this deciding game approached.

The feeling in the Minden dressing room prior to game six was that Muskoka was the team that failed to capitalize on its home-ice advantage the night before and that this was our opportunity. We were confident.

Muskoka came out solidly though, and outshot and outscored Minden 2-0 through the first twenty minutes of the game. Minden would put on the pressure but could muster few quality scoring chances.

Perhaps a turning point occurred midway through the second period when Minden goalie Mike Lennox sprawled across the crease to grab a puck right on the goal line. The referees debated the close play for a short while and then ruled no-goal! The game was still in reach.

Shortly afterwards, Aaron Keaney lofted a backhand shot from the slot to bring Minden within one. Travis Walker assisted. Ninety seconds later

Cody Mills converted a Sherri Walker pass to tie the game. Four minutes after that, Travis Walker would descend on a breakaway and score on a deke to the stick side. What a difference five minutes makes!

Muskoka then responded with a two-on-one scoring chance but Lennox made the diving paddle-down save.

Minden scored early in the third period to take a 4-2 lead when Aaron Keaney potted another low backhand from Travis Walker. However, Muskoka closed the gap to one with twelve minutes left.

For the remainder of the game the Minden Atoms played their hearts out and preserved the victory, thus earning a spot in the semifinals!

Sunday, February 27

The Atoms held a little bit of a victory party on Saturday night but the coaching staff was working on the upcoming series hours later. Intelligence was being gathered from teams that had previously faced Deseronto, our semifinal opponent, and the upcoming schedule was being determined.

It was decided that Minden would play the first two games in Deseronto the next weekend. Arrangements started to be made for the Atoms' first true road trip.

Thursday, March 2

The Monarchs held their final practice and it was a very sharp one. The entire team was excited about the prospect of a two-day road trip and a stay at the Belleville Ramada Inn!

Everyone by then had viewed a video made of the last two games. Two impressions came to the forefront. The kids look more like kids on video, and the Minden crowd made a huge impact on game six.

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BREAKAWAY: Travis Walker capitalized on this breakaway in the second period of the deciding game of the All-Ontario quarterfinal series against West Muskoka. This goal put the Monarchs in front 3-2 after they fell behind 2-0 in the first period. Minden hung on for a 4-3 win to eliminate Muskoka and advance to the semifinals against Deseronto.

THANK YOU

Minden, you did it again - another successful, well-run, fun filled hockey tournament!

Thank you sponsors—Pilon Realty, Big Hawk Landing, Rachel's Bakery, Kawartha Dairy, Subway, Godfather Pizza, Dollo's I.G.A., valu-mart, PineStone, Co-operators Insurance, Home Hardware, Stedmans V&S, Village Chalet, Mr. D's Donuts, Vasey Insurance, Highland Accounting, Monk Funeral Home, Connelly Enterprises, Jadek Sports, Riverview Furniture, Highlands Plumbing, Minden Shell, I.D.A., Guardian, The Storeroom, North Shore Lawn & Garden, Coltman Excavating, Sharpley Sports, Cox's Apparel, Northern Foods, Minden Auto Parts, Thomas Contracting, Sid Stamp Fuels, Coneybeare's Butcher Shop, The Browns, Mike Jackson, The Lopez Family, Dan Reid, Lorna Hicks, The Hollands, Judy and Minor Hockey and the entertaining Bobcaygeon Quartet.

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Coach Paul Walker & Novice "B" Monarchs



THANK YOU!

The hockey players of the Minden Major Tykes would like to thank the following businesses and individuals whose support helped to make our tournament on February 27, 2000 such a success.

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And a **BIG THANK YOU** to ALL the parents of the Minden Tykes for their effort and help to ensure the day was such a success!

Information products promote Trails & Tours

by Barrie Martin

Over the next few months the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network, in partnership with Chrismar Mapping Inc., will be launching a series of trail and tours information products. For starters, *Trails In the Haliburton Highlands*, is a free high quality, full colour "lure" brochure that will provide general information on hiking, biking, horseback riding, canoeing, cross-country skiing and snowmobiling opportunities in the county. This free brochure, made possible through funding from Haliburton County Council, the Heart Connection and The Haliburton County Development Corporation, will be available by April.

Your *Guide to Haliburton Highlands*, a large format recreation destination and road map of Haliburton County, is in the final stages of production. This publication measures 24x48 inches with one side a detailed map of the County and adjacent communities, including major and minor roads, major and minor lakes and streams, towns and ham-

lets, and a wide variety of recreational, historical and cultural attractions (including trails and tours). The other side will describe these attractions in text and colour photographs.

Anyone wishing to view a draft copy of *Trails In the Haliburton Highlands* or *Your Guide to Haliburton Highlands* can do so between March 13-15 at the Chamber of Commerce office in Minden.

Also look for *The Adventure Map Series*, detailed waterproof recreation maps designed to aid trail users. All maps are topographic and include features such as portages, campsites, access points, other trails, historic features and extraordinary terrain, vegetation and cultural details. Detailed text about human and natural history, trail descriptions, safety concerns and contact information is included on each map along with colour photographs. Several of these maps are already available including the Frost Centre, Oxtongue River, Algonquin 1 - Corridor North, Algonquin 3 - Corridor South, Algo-

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Trails and Tours Network

It's election time

by Sandy Cole

The time has come, once again, to put yourself and your energy forward and be involved in your club. Yes folks, it's election time!

Nominations for all positions will be open until Friday March 10 at 11 p.m. This is your chance to make the club better, stronger, and the best that it can be. If you would like to run in the election, just ask someone to nominate you. If you know of someone you think would be an asset to the executive, get permission to nominate that person. Elections will be the week of March 13 to 17, closing at 11 p.m. Results will be announced at the annual Banquet in April. If you have any questions on the nominations or the election please call Tim or Sue Wright at 489-2813.

Remember our club only works as hard as it's members. This is your club and everyone of us has everything to gain when it succeeds and everything to lose if it fails. Make sure you have taken part in this year's election and done all you can do for your club.

Second schedule playoffs will start March 14.

The Junior wrap up bonspiel is on March 26. Zelda Cooper is stepping down as Junior co-ordinator after many years of a job well done. We are now in

need of several people to step up and help run this very important program next year. Let any executive member or Zelda know if you are interested in helping out. Your hard work will be rewarded when you see how the kids improve and learn to enjoy the sport of curling. Don't miss the opportunity to make a difference in a kid's life.

League Scores for February 21 to 25



Monday Night Ladies'

Sharon Kernohan 8, Gail Grainger 4
Sandy Cole 8, Pat Campbell 5
Pat Woodcroft 6, Melanie Vigrass 3
Irene Alexander 6, Cheryl Murdoch 6

Tuesday Night Men's

Ted Wilkes 9, Dave McAdam 2
Alf Trotter 9, Dwight Thomas 3
Jason Scott 9, Bill Roodenburg 2
Jack Woodcroft 7, Rob Eaton 4

Thursday Night Mixed

Ted Wilkes 7, Melanie Vigrass 3
Pat Woodcroft 7, Gail Grainger 1
Alf Trotter 9, Ross Davies 1
Jason Scott 8, Gord Wood 3
Cheryl Murdoch 8, Keith Oitment 6

Friday Night Mixed

Sharon Kernohan 9, Cheryl Murdoch 8
Paul Prentice 10, Rob Eaton 2
Bill Roodenburg 10, Murray Cooper 5

Thank you



The Minden Skating Club would like to thank all of those who helped make our 13th Annual "Meet To Skate" Invitational Competition a great success! Joachim Matysek our Minden Skating Club President. A Job well done! Lisa Foster our Chairperson who had various jobs and responsibilities which kept her very busy. Bev Matysek our Co-Chairperson our Registrar and also our Music Coordinator and our Announcer. Kelly Schollig for the setting up of our Program. Dorian Malloy for looking after our Registration Desk / Treasurer. Gabi Kassinger for helping out in the accounting room. Jackie Hawkins for her help doing various jobs that contributed to our success. Sheila Shaw "Meet To Skate" Fundraising Chairperson. Toni Carr who has been our Official Liaison as well as our Technical Rep for many years. She helps wherever needed and many turn to her for her expertise and advice. Each and everyone of you did a fabulous job and we Thank you very much!

To all of the Parents, Skaters and community minded volunteers that help make our "Meet To Skate" such a success. By doing jobs such as helping set up the Raffle Table and the Chuck A Puck Event, to actually running the Events. Putting the Programs and the Goodie Bags together. Making up Advertising Posters and Signs, selling Tickets and Programs at the door. Organizing and keeping the skaters going on the ice at the right times. Time Keeping and Running and all the other jobs that needed to be done to ensure a successful "Meet To Skate". We Thank you for your time and support to our club. We could not have done it without all of you. Thank you very much for your help!

We would like to thank Sheila Shaw who also ran and organized the whole kitchen for the weekend. From planning the menus to helping prepare and cook the food as well as serving and clean up. She could not have done it without the help of her husband Grant Shaw who also did the preparation and cooking. They made a great team. They also had the help of their children Kayla, Mckye and Ryan, as well as other family members Nathan Greer and Kelly Wilson, who also helped with preparation serving and clean up. They did a fabulous job and supplied us with great food all weekend. Thank you for a job well done!

The Minden Skating Club would also like to thank, Golden Stationers for the loan of their photo copier, Minden Copy Company (Vera Aultram) for donating part of the cost of printing our Programs. Tischler Woodworking Company and G & L Enterprises for covering the remaining cost of printing our Programs. We would also like to thank the following for their donations: Donations towards our Goodie Bags: Stedman's Minden, Rockcliffe Snack Bar, G & L Enterprises, Minden I. D. A. Drugstore,

Gorman's Food Distributors, Rexall Drugstore Haliburton, Sporty's Snack Bar (located in the Minden Arena), The Village Court Guardian Pharmacy Haliburton and the Ontario Provincial Police (Haliburton Highlands Detachment). Donation's for our Raffle Table: The Alternative Store, Splish Splash Diner, Sandalwood Gift Shop, Golden Stationers, Minden Food Mart, Rockcliffe Tavern, Country Magic, John Ellis, Toni Carr, Fred and Diane Pratt, Lynn's Hair Styling, Campbell's Garden Center, Lil' Bitza Bargains, Highlands Supply, Paulmac's Pet Food Store, Photo Solutions Image Center, Linda Schrader (Mary Kay), Sheila Shaw, McMahon Feed 'N' Need, Graham Wales Pottery, G & L Enterprises, The Mill Pond, Jadek Sports, Sonya's Hair Styling, The Pepper Mill, The Village Chalet, Godfathers Pizza, The Drifter's Texas Cook House, Gina's Shear Talent, The Matysek family (Sandy Lane Resort). We would like to thank those Businesses and Persons who donated food to help us keep the kitchen cost down. They are: Kinmount Independent Grocers - Tom Lang, Kawartha Dairy Minden, Coneybeare's Butcher Shop, Easton's valu mart Minden, Mr. D's Donuts, G & L Enterprises, Dollo's I.G.A., Minden Subway, Jug City (Carnarvon), Gabi Kassinger, and the Parents of the Canskate - Test Stream Program 1999-2000 season.

Donations of Money, which helped us to cover the cost of our ice time and other expenses needed to run our "Meet To Skate" Competition: Minden Home Hardware, Gordon Monk Funeral Home, West Side Jug City Minden, North Steel, Hope Satellite, Highlands Plumbing, Floyd Hall Insurance, Minden I.D.A. Drugstore, J.A.C. Kernohan Construction, Ridgewood Ford, Sid Stamp Fuels, Garbutt Enterprises, Kemohan Septic Services, Bishop & Rogers Lawyer, Haliburton & Minden Cable, Highland Pharmacy, Sears Canada Minden, Cango Gas Bar, Highlands Accounting & Tax Service, Camarvon Building Supplies Ltd., David Shapiera Lawyer, Riverview Furniture, The Rental Store, Donald J. Finn Lawyer, Motel Minden, Headlines Hair Styling, Coldwell Banker Wiley Real-Estate, The Minden Times, Vasey Insurance, Minden Animal Clinic, Harding Iron and Metal, Minden Auto Parts, The Hub Camarvon, John E. Francis Fuels, Prentice Power Sports Ltd., The Store Room, Bill Roodenburg Realtor, and Sporty's Snack Bar (located in the Minden arena).

We would like to thank our local Resorts, Bed and Breakfasts and Restaurants for donating prizes for our Chuck A Puck Event. They include: A lodging in one of the Chalets at Sandy Lane Resort; lodging for two at The Minden House Bed & Breakfast which also included a Gift Certificate from Jaspers Grill; lodging for two at The Wild Swan Bed & Breakfast which also included a Gift Certificate from Mark's Restaurant; lodging for two at the Bonnieview Inn; a round of golf for 4 at the PineStone Golf & Conference Resort; A ski pass for two at Sir Sam's Ski Inn;

and lodging for four at the Wigamog Inn. These donations helped to raise a lot of money for our Skating Club and we would like to say that Community support and bonding is very important. The Skating Club hope that in return for your generous donation that you will in some way also benefit. We again thank you and hope that next year we can work together again!

We would like to Thank our Minden Coaches Janene Greer, Kim Sisson, Katrina Matysek and Lisa Allore for a job well done and we hope that you will all be around next year to do the same! Thank you!

To the Camera Crew / Video Crew who did all of our taping of the "Meet To Skate". To the accountants and their helpers for doing such a great job. To our Judges, it's a tough job but someone has to do it and you did a great one. To our Photographer (Bruce Turner) for coming and setting up for those who wanted their pictures taken. To The boutique Lady for displaying your fabulous skating dresses and outfits. To Campbells Flower Shop for being there to supply flowers for our well deserved skaters. To Sporty's Snack Bar for having food available for our guests to purchase when the need for snacks (food) and drink arose.

Most of all we would like to thank our Skating participants (our competitors) for without them there would be no "Meet To Skate" at all! So to all of you who travelled to come here and to our local participants we thank you for coming! To all Parents we also thank you for your support of your children and to the sport of Skating!

We would like to thank everyone who participated in our Raffle Table and our Chuck A Puck Events which helped raise money for our Club!

We would also like to Thank the Arena Staff for their time and patience, especially when repairing our skaters little tiny holes, and for helping us out with our harness apparatus and just simply for being there when we needed them. But most of all for putting up with our "make yourself at home" attitude. You guys are great Thank You!

The Minden Skating Club would like to Thank all of those Businesses / Persons who helped us out this year with our Annual Minden "Meet To Skate" Competition. The Children in our Club also Thank you, for without your support they would not be able to pursue the sport they enjoy so much. The generous donations of Money, Gifts, Gift Certificates, Food, Lodging, Ski passes, Golfing passes and other Important Donations such as Time etc., is what really makes this a great County to live in.

The on going support goes without saying in this small, BUT! Big Hearted Community. We all worked together to make our "Meet To Skate" the success it was this year. You have shown not only the Skating Club but the members of the community that if we all work together we can make good things happen. And We hope we can all come together next year to make our 2001 "Meet To Skate" just as much of a success.

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Novice B Monarchs tournament B finalists

Seven teams, from Barrie, Bobcaygeon, Cannington, Elmvale, Haliburton, Oakwood and Oakville, came to Minden to compete in the annual Novice B Hockey Tournament on Saturday, February 19.

The tournament began with an 8 a.m. game between the Minden Monarchs and the Haliburton Huskies.

Minden scored one goal in each period on the way to a 3-1 win over the Huskies. Logan Brown notched the first Minden marker, from Taryn Robins. Matt Robins was the second period

sniper for the Monarchs, from Kelsey Pierson and Daniel Walker. Taryn Robins scored the third-period goal for the Monarchs, from Brown and Jordan Dick.

Haliburton notched its lone goal in the second period. Van Nood was the marksman, from Winfield.

Minden's second game was against Bobcaygeon. This time, the host team didn't fare as well. Bobcaygeon had a 3-0 lead before Minden finally broke the drought with 38 seconds left in the second period. Matt Robins netted the

Minden goal, from Pierson.

Minden closed the gap to 3-2 the third period with a goal by Pierson, assisted by Walker.

In spite of a strong effort, the Monarchs were unable to connect again, giving up the 3-2 loss to Bobcaygeon.

With the win, Bobcaygeon advanced to the A division championship against a very strong Oakville team. Oakville emerged the A championship team.

Minden went into the B championship game against Cannington.

The Monarchs ran out of steam in the final game, losing to Cannington by a 5-1 margin.

Cannington had built a commanding 5-0 lead by the third period before Daniel Walker scored the spoiler with 1:16 left in the game for a 5-1 final. Kelsey Pierson assisted.

David Markowski was named the most valuable player for the Monarchs. He played a solid tournament on defense for the Minden team to earn the MVP honours.

Jay Winfield was chosen as Haliburton's MVP.

All eight MVP trophies were donated by The Co-operators Insurance of Haliburton, for which the organizers expressed their appreciation.

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Wednesday Afternoon Mixed
High average: Ken Thompson 234; Marie Thompson 189
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High triple: John Whitty 704; Jacquie Chamberlain 676
High triple (handicap): John Whitty 806; Jacquie Chamberlain 853

Thursday Afternoon Mixed
High average: Ken Thompson 227; Josie Cheesman 175
High single: Fred Gregory 264; Josie Cheesman 256
High single (handicap): Larry Arena 325; Josie Cheesman 296
High triple: Ken Thompson 697; Josie Cheesman 583
High triple (handicap): Larry Arena 763; Josie Cheesman 703

Lester Brothers score seven top five finishes at Timmins Pro Sno-Cross

Unseasonably mild weather didn't dampen enthusiasm for Sno-cross Racing in the City of Timmins on the February 26 and 27 weekend. The City did a spectacular job hosting its first Canadian Snowcross Racing Association (CSRA) Pro Race, with huge crowds over the two day event.

Fifteen year-old A.J. Lester of Minden rode his Ski-Doo MX-ZX 440 through Saturday's first qualifying round scoring a first in Sport 500, a second in Sport 600 and a first in Sport Open. Crediting expert tuning supplied by his mechanic Steve Charity, A.J. had his MX-ZX flying high while carving snow all day Saturday. A.J.'s efforts included his first ever Semi-Pro qualifying round victory with a wire to wire win that landed him in the front row of Saturday's Semi-Pro 600 Final.

When the packed field of fifteen riders left the line in the Sport 500 Final late Saturday afternoon, A.J. rocketed his Ski-Doo through traffic to run down the leader and come within striking distance at the checkers. This second place finish puts A.J. in a strong position in the CSRA 500 Sport Class as we approach the end of the racing season.

In the Sport 600 Final on Sunday afternoon, temperatures soared to near 50 F, turning the track into a one line, slushy groove making passing difficult at best. A.J. powered out front and nailed a holeshot only to have another sled pile into him, spinning him out. Thankfully a red-flag re-start ensued which saw A.J. fight from

the back of the pack to an eventual fourth at the checkers.

In the Sport Open Finals, A.J. had another less than ideal start but was able - despite incredibly poor track conditions - to thread his way back to fifth by the finish. A.J.'s weekend score of 2,4,5 puts him in a solid top two position in the CSRA's Sport Division of the year. A.J. is sponsored by Prentice Power Sports of Minden, Supertrax and Ontario Snowmobiler magazines.

Nineteen year old Luke Lester powered his fleet of Polaris Indy Edge's to first round qualifying success landing him in the front row of the Semi-Pro 500 class, the front row of Semi-Pro Open and the front row of Semi-Pro 440 Fan. Luke scored an impressive victory in the Last Chance qualifier to get on the back row of the Semi-Pro 600.

In Saturday night's Semi-Pro 500 Final Luke used careful tuning by his Mechanic Tim

George and determination to score a solid second place when the checkers flew. This finish will help cement Luke's top two position in CSRA Semi-Pro 500 competition. In Semi-Pro 600 Luke scored a hard fought fifth place coming from the second row in the packed fifteen rider final on a track which allowed little opportunity for passing. In Semi-Pro 440 Fan, Luke scored a fourth in the final which sees him way out front in total class points this season. In Semi-Pro Open Luke used the power of his Open Polaris to launch hard and rack up a second place at the checkers.

In this final race of the day track conditions had deteriorated from the inclement (warm) weather and caused Luke to dig deep for a strong finish. Luke is now solidly in second place in the CSRA's Semi-Pro Division. Luke is sponsored by Janssen's of Muskoka, Supertrax and Ontario Snowmobiler Magazines.

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Novice B Monarchs 1-2-1 in round robin

The Tri-County Novice Monarchs have been embroiled in round robin playoff action since mid February. In five playoff hockey games, the Monarchs have a record of 1-2-1.

Minden 1, Cannington 1

The Monarchs went to Cannington on Sunday, February 13 and came home with a tie.

Matt Robins opened the scoring for the Monarchs at the 6:23 mark of the first period. That unassisted goal kept the Minden team in the lead until late in the second frame. With 3:18 left in the middle frame, the home team scored the equalizer.

In spite of some good scoring opportunities by both teams, the score remained tied at 1-1.

Bobcaygeon 4, Minden 2

Two days later, the Monarchs traveled to Bobcaygeon for a game.

The first period was scoreless until the final minute. With 15 seconds showing on the clock, the home team broke the scoreless tie.

The second period was just a minute and 16 seconds old when Matt Robins connected on a pass from Kelsey Pierson to tie the game.

Less than a minute later, Bobcaygeon regained the lead, but within five minutes the Monarchs were back on even ground. Logan Brown was the Minden sniper, unassisted.

Three minutes later, Bobcaygeon went ahead again, this time to stay. The home team added one unanswered insurance marker in the third for the 4-2 win.

The Monarchs put the pressure on in the third period, but just could not find the mark.

Beaverton 3, Minden 2

After a break to host their own tournament on February 19, the Monarchs played host to Beaverton on February 26 as playoffs resumed.

The visitors took an early lead, scoring one minute after the opening faceoff. Beaverton made it 2-0 four minutes later.

The Monarchs closed the period with a late goal, cutting the Beaverton lead in half. Matt Robins was the scorer for Minden, tipping a blast from the blue line by Alex Lopez past the Beaverton goalie.

Twenty-five seconds into the second period, Ashton Haley scored on a pass from Pierson to tie the score at 2-2.

The score remained deadlocked throughout most of the third period, even though both teams had some

good chances to break the tie. Then, with 42 seconds left in the game, Beaverton capitalized on a turnover as the Monarchs were pressing and trying to keep control of the puck outside the Beaverton blue line until everyone got on side. That goal gave the visitors a 3-2 win.

Minden 3, Omemee 2

The Monarchs put one in the wins column when they went to Omemee on Sunday, February 27.

Matt Robins opened the scoring for Minden with 22 seconds remaining in the first period, on the power play. Pierson and Lopez assisted.

Taryn Robins gave the Monarchs a 2-0 lead, scoring 48 seconds into the second frame. She won the

faceoff in the Omemee end and fired the puck into the net for the unassisted goal. Near the middle of the period, Pierson scored, from Matt Robins and Daniel Walker for a 3-0 Minden lead.

The home team finally got on the scoreboard with 35 seconds left in the middle frame. Omemee's momentum carried over into the third and less than two minutes into the third, the home team scored again, closing the gap to 3-2. That set the stage for a very exciting third period.

The action for the remainder of the game was end to end. With Minden still leading 3-2, and the final seconds ticking slowly away, Monarchs' goaltender Colton Dick stood his ground, first with a glove save and then a stick save to preserve the win.



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Friday, March 3

Tammy McKelvey called with our confirmation number at the Ramada Inn. Jerry Grozelle called from the Times to make sure this article was being submitted in time. The whole family was packing for an early departure to Belleville.

As I write this article I am struck with a few thoughts...

This team is turning into a true team. The kids are genuinely working together and really starting to support each other.

The kids are really excited about the road trip - hopefully they will continue to focus on the hockey.

What a life experience this is for these kids!

It's good.

It's all good.

Let's try to win game one for a change.

Let's keep this going!

See Saturday update on page 16.

Minden skaters show their talents at Canskate

Results from the Minden Skating Club's Meet To Skate competition, held last month at the Minden community centre, prove that Minden has some of the top skaters in the area. Several first place finishes were earned by local skaters, with many more placing in the top five of their respective divisions.

Canskate Ladies Flight 1

First, Ashleigh Schollig; second, Callie Cowan

Canskate Ladies Flight 2

Fourth, Madeline Stewart

Pre-Preliminary Ladies Flight 2

Second, Melanie Hawkins; fifth, Steffy Mackenzie

Pre-Preliminary Ladies Flight 3

First, Stephanie Foster; fifth, Brittany Hicks

Pre-Preliminary Men

Second, Edward Cyr

Preliminary Ladies Elements Flight 1

First, Ashleigh Schollig

Preliminary Ladies Elements Flight 2

Fourth, Steffy Mackenzie; sixth Madeline Stewart

Preliminary Ladies Elements Flight 3

Fourth, Stephanie Foster

Preliminary Ladies Elements Flight 4

Third, Maddie Mackenzie

Pre-Preliminary Mens Elements

First, Edward Cyr

Preliminary B Ladies Flight 2

Third, Maddie Mackenzie

Preliminary Mens Elements

Second, Edward Cyr

Junior Bronze Ladies

Fourth, Cindy Malloy; fifth, Nicole Perreault; eighth, Vanessa Davis; 10th Katlyn Hewson

Junior Bronze Ladies Elements

Fifth, Nicole Perreault; eighth, Vanessa Davis



Red Hawks COSSA champions

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Red Hawks Junior volleyball team won the COSSA championship on March 1, in Haliburton. The team members gathered for a photo after the big win. They are, front row (l to r): Carrie Schakelaar, Nicole Sisco, Abbey Pearsell, Caley Sisson and Stephanie Sternberg. Middle row: Liane Dron, Cassie Hie, Kori Roberts, Terry Dawson, Jenn Carpenter, Stacey Schell and Lesley Pearsell. Back Row: Coaches Murray Kuntz, Ryan Ladurantaye and Laura Willis. (Photo by Lori Roberts)

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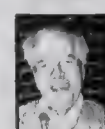
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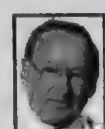
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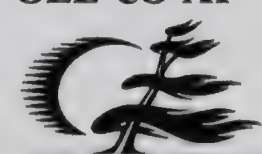
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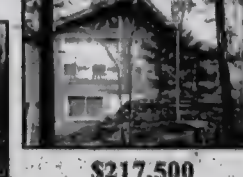
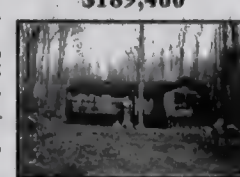


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Don and Opal Crowe receive the Caring Canadians Award

Don and Opal Crowe received the Caring Canadians Award from Ontario's Lieutenant Governor Hilary Weston in a ceremony recently at Queen's Park in Toronto.

The award, which comes from Canada's Governor General, was announced last summer following a nomination from the municipality of Anson, Hindon and Minden. The nomination was made in recognition of the contribution Don and Opal and their family have made to the community over the years. In addition to numerous monetary donations to community efforts, the two have been active in promoting Minden through participation in various committees and service clubs.

"Through the years, Don and Opal Crowe have quietly and effectively supported individuals and groups throughout our municipality," Reeve Jeanne Anthon commented when the award was announced. "In honouring them we recognize the contribution of the whole family. They have assisted with community events and through volunteering skills, time, energy, material and services. They are truly a caring family," she concluded.

The award was presented February 7 when 17 other recipients from across Ontario were also recognized.



Hospital computers

(from page 4)

The estimated total cost of an information system package is \$380,000 over three years.

Loucks pointed out there will soon be a need to track such things as work load, so the HHHS will be in a favourable position to make a case for government funding.

"We need to be able to measure what we're doing," he said.

The system would be implemented in two phases, with the basic "what we need right now" hardware and software to be considered the phase one initiative.

A local supplier has been contracted to provide 12 to 15 work stations.

Once the basic system is in place, local doctors and other health care workers will have access to learning materials over the Internet from work stations at both the Minden and Haliburton facilities. University database access would also be available.

Paul Heffer asked Loucks if the Hyland Crest information system is integrated with the hospitals. Loucks noted that the long term care facilities "are not as well advanced in computer information systems."

Ross Rigney suggested the Joint Executive Committee should require all five hospitals, which include Haliburton/Minden, Port Hope/Cobourg, Campbellford, Peterborough and Lindsay, to have compatible systems.

Ted Wilkes strongly suggested that the HHHS implement the basic system of computers and software as soon as possible.

"None of the equipment or software would be wasted," Wilkes pointed out, adding that it will be compatible with whatever system the board decides to use.

Len Salvatori noted that phase one of the plan is mandated by the Ministry of Health.

The board decided that the consultant who was hired to formulate the plan, be invited to a Finance Committee meeting, at which time board members could ask questions.

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Eastern Division AAA Midget hockey playoffs**Local players help Wolves advance to semifinals**

The Eastern Division Central Ontario Wolves and Peterborough Petes AAA Midget hockey clubs were tied for second place at the end of the regular season. Game one of the quarterfinal playoff series saw the Wolves come away with a big 2-0 win thanks to some great goal tending.

Peterborough played a very aggressive game two, resulting in numerous suspensions to both teams and leaving the Wolves with only six skaters in the final minutes. The Wolves lost the game 4-3, but won the battle, as they say.

The series was a best-of-five, or six point round. The Wolves won game three by a 6-3 score in spite of the fact that they got no breaks or no bounces went

their way.

The fourth game was even more physical than game two and the Petes scored two goals late in the third period to tie the game at 3-3, which meant the Wolves were one point shy of a series win.

Game five was a tension-filled contest. It ended up being a very well played game by both teams. At the end of the second period, the Wolves were ahead by a 2-1 count. They put the game away in the third, adding two unanswered goals for the 4-1 victory.

Minden forward Josh Shaw scored one goal and assisted on two more in then series while local defensemen Jarrett Rowden, Adam Clarkson and Gary Kernohan played well, helping the team to the series

win.

The by-the-book officiating in the final game prevented the Petes from playing their aggressive style of hockey.

During the five-game series, a total of 250 minutes in penalties were assessed against the two teams, not including 10-minute misconducts. The police were called four times during the series.

It is a series both the parents and players are glad is over.

The Wolves will tangle with Richmond Hill in the semifinals. Richmond Hill is ranked number one overall.

Senior Ron Earle rolls 295 single**Legion 636 Mixed League**

High average: Fred Knight 185; Leitha Kuchalema 168

High single: Fred Knight 246; Sheila Burke 203

High single (handicap): Fred Knight 279; Marie Dennie 265

High triple: Fred Knight 606; Judy Kent 523

High triple (handicap): Fred Knight 705; June Anderson 724

Tuesday Afternoon Seniors' League

High average: Bob Bullen 191; Theresa Fox 166

High single: Ron Earle 295; Eleanor Young 204

High single (handicap): Ron Earle 334; Eleanor Young 255

High triple: Ron Earle 574; Eleanor Young 494

High triple (handicap): Vince Connaughan 754; Ev Trepanier 660

Tuesday Night Mixed League

High average: Walt Stegmaier 230; Cathy Snell 237

High single: Len Punt Sr. 289; Cathy Snell 254

High single (handicap): Jack Guerin 283; Anne Frank 256

High triple: Norm Goldenberg 718; Cathy Snell 724

High triple (handicap): Carl Packard 708; Sheila Woodcroft 671

Thursday Night Mixed League (February 17)

High average: Scott Moore 232; Michelle Moore 215

High single: Scott Moore 271; Gloria Wagg 203

High single (handicap): Doug Reinwald 271; Gloria Wagg 246

High triple: Doug Reinwald 649;

Gloria Wagg 546

High triple (handicap): Doug Reinwald 700; Sue Titus 689

Thursday Afternoon Seniors' League

High average: Ray Lymer 197; Helen Dentinger 168

Brad Brown top Bantam bowler with 207 single**Youth Bowling Council****Smurf**

High average: Bailey Cole 63

High single: Bailey Cole 65

High double: Bailey Cole 125

Peewee

High average: Eric Whitty 107;

Hillary Anderson 91

High single: Eric Whitty 116;

Karen Prozak 126

High single: Fred Knight 248; Grace Chapman 242

High single (handicap): Fred Knight 276; Grace Chapman 294

High triple: Fred Knight 59; Grace Chapman 542

High triple (handicap): John Irwin 708; Grace Chapman 698

High double: Eric Whitty 228; Karen Prozak 226

Bantam

High average: Jake Walker 121; Brandy Cole 119

High single: Brad Brown 207; Sarah Prozak 140

High triple: Brad Brown 450; Sarah Prozak 379

Junior

High average: Brad Mickle 173; Lesley Cox 144

High single: Brad Mickle 217; Lesley Cox 162

High single (handicap): Jeremy Upton 237; Lesley Cox 206

High triple: Brad Mickle 631; Lesley Cox 442

High triple (handicap): Brad Mickle 703; Lesley Cox 574

Senior

High average: Matt Reinwald 197; Kelly Berry 170

High single: Dennis Cox 247; Kelly Berry 239

High single (handicap): Dennis Cox 263; Kelly Berry 265

High triple: Trevor Clement 599; Kelly Berry 635

High triple (handicap): Dennis Cox 645; Kelly Berry 713

Atoms edged 4-3 in game one

The Minden Atom A Monarch had a close encounter in Deseronto Saturday. The game was tied at 3-3 when the home team scored with two minutes remaining to win game one of the All-Ontario semifinals 4-3.

The Times contacted Andy Lennox Saturday evening in Belleville and he said, "We're going to win tomorrow, and you can put that in the paper." They played in Deseronto again Sunday. Details will be printed in next week's edition of The Times.



MEDALISTS: Minden YBC Senior Kelly Berry (left) was a bronze medal winner at the Four Steps To Stardom bowling tournament in Peterborough. Brad Mickle earned the gold in the YBC Junior class.

Two Minden YBC bowlers earn medals

The Youth Bowling Council of Canada held its annual Four Steps to Stardom singles round over the weekend of February 26 and 27 to determine the first place winners in the Bantam, Junior and senior divisions. Two bowlers from the County Bowling Centre in Minden were medal winners in the competitions.

Kelly Berry, who bowls in the YBC Senior division, earned a bronze medal at the competition, held in Peterborough.

Junior division bowler Brad Mickle came home with a gold medal for a first place finish in his division. The gold medal qualifies Brad Mickle for the Provincial round, which will be held in Hamilton later this month.

Area seniors advance to WinterFest 2000 competitions

The District 11 Haliburton-Muskoka Seniors' Winter Games were held recently, with local senior athletes recording some impressive results.

Curling

Eleven teams entered the curling competition, six from Haliburton, two from Minden, and one each from Wilberforce, Huntsville and Bracebridge.

The Art Clarke team from

Bracebridge took first place. Second went to the Ab Norman rink from Haliburton and Huntsville's George Maw placed third.

Alpine skiing

William Wark was the only entry in the Alpine skiing competition.

Nordic skiing - 5km Prediction, women

First in the Women's Nordic Skiing for women went to Margaret Brogden,

with Edna Wark placing second. There were only two entries.

Men's Prediction Nordic Skiing - 5 km

Jack Cox was first among the five entries in this event. Second went to Peter Brogden and William Wark was third.

Skating, 3km Prediction

Jack Cox was the only entrant in the prediction Skating event.

Winners advance to WinterFest 2000

The first place winners in each class will represent District 11 at the Winterfest 2000 competitions in Collingwood March 6 and 7. They include Art Clarke's curling team; William Wark in alpine skiing; Margaret Brogden and Peter Brogden in Nordic skiing and Jack Cox in skating.

Students write play for Sears Drama Festival in Barrie

by student intern Jennifer Minto

The HHSS Drama Club hopes to bring home the Donny McFadden trophy again this year. Practicing a student written play called, "The Calling of Ash" three times a week demonstrates the dedication to the play, and the desire to perform well with the material that they created themselves. The play will be the students' entry in the Sears Drama Festival competition that will be held later this week.

In preparation for the festival, HHSS theatre arts teacher Daryl Dobson approached students involved with the Dramatic Arts at HHSS with an opportunity to write a monologue to be read before other stu-

dents. Intrigued, the students took the monologues and expanded them into a play script. The result was an interesting play which audiences will find a plot that could be interpreted in any number of ways.

Staying over night at the school a month ago, proving to Dobson that they could write the script, they developed a play that would involve input from each student. Into the early morning hours they completed a, "somewhat finished" first draft. The teacher was impressed with the talent and potential of the play.

The plot is complicated. The audience sees two directors who are holding auditions. The auditions (more on page 19)

Theatre competition will feature eastern Ontario's best performers

(from page 3)

Grease will perform a number of songs from the show.

"This is certainly a prestigious opportunity for our community and Little Theatre. Not only are we proud to host this event but it gives us and the community a chance to see four theatre companies and four plays," Moulton commented.

Asked why the Highlands Little Theatre was not participating, Dart noted that the members of the organization are busy serving as hosts for the various production companies and felt it would be impossible to mount their own production and provide the necessary welcome for the visiting companies. "We chose role of host and are looking forward to welcoming and enjoying the talent these companies have."

There are six groups vying for the four spots in the festival. Among the contenders are:

- Domino Theatre of Kingston with *Playboy of the Western World* by John M Synge
- Peterborough Theatre Guild with *Death Chart* by one of their own members, Beth McMaster
- Lindsay Little Theatre with *The Inheritance* by Gayle Greenslade-Lalonde a member of the Lindsay

group

- Belleville Theatre Guild with *The Wake of Jamie Foster* by Beth Hendy
- The Tara Players from Ottawa with *A Touch of The Poet* by Eugene O'Neill
- Quinte West Theatre Guild with *On Golden Pond* by Ernest Thompson.

The four finalist are expected to be announced soon.

Performances of the four plays will take place nightly, March 22 to 25, with curtain each evening at 7:30 p.m. Admission is just \$15 per performance or \$50 for all four plays. The admission includes access to the "Green Room" for refreshments during the intermissions and after the performance. Show tickets are available at Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton or by calling the numbers below. Tickets are also available for the awards luncheon on Sunday. For tickets, contact Caryl Moulton at 705-754-1919 or Debra Dart at 457-1235.

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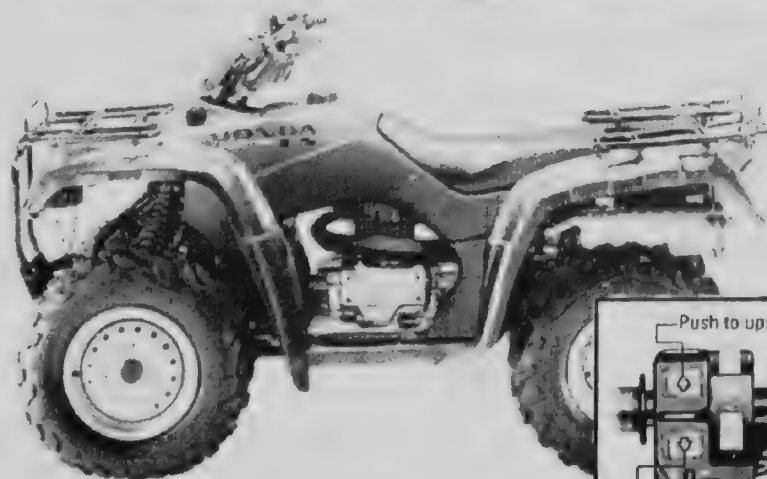
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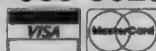


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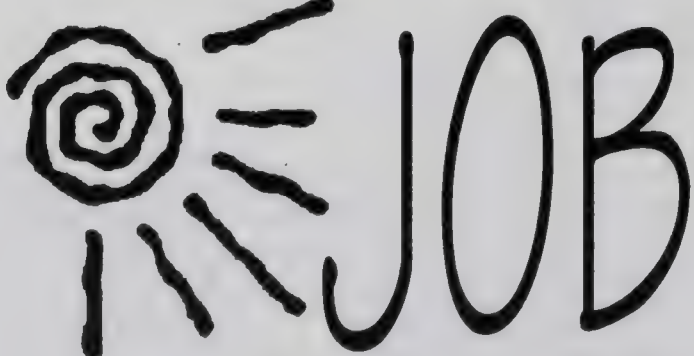


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Maps and brochures will highlight attractions

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nquin Canoe Lake. Soon to be released are maps of the Poker Lake System and Black Lake Loop. A number of new areas are being considered, in consultation with HHTTN, for inclusion in this series, with production and publication to occur on a regular basis over the next two years.

We also have plans for one or more small

guidebooks on hiking, cycling and horseback riding. For example, The *Haliburton Hiking Trail Guidebook* would contain information about the hiking trails in the county in enough detail to be used on the trail.

With the exception of the *Trails In the Haliburton Highlands*, these products will be sold at costs ranging from \$5.95 to \$10.95 and will be available through the

Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network and various outlets throughout the county. Revenues will be used to sustain production of the "lure" brochure and to fund future promotion and development of trails and tours in the county.

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products. Trail information is also available on our web site - www.trailsandtours.on.ca

Privy Council

The new Haliburton Association of Recreational Canoeists (HARC) is off to a great start. They are busy defining what their role will be in the future of canoeing and canoe routes in Haliburton County. They recognize that there is much to be done but they can't do it all right now. In the interests of upgrading the canoe routes in the County, one of their priorities for this year is to address the issue of sanitation at campsites. HARC is launching a campaign to acquire, establish or replace campsite privies. A donation of \$55 will purchase a durable cedar privy, similar to those used in Algonquin Park. If you would like to make a difference in improving the quality of our waterways please send your contribution of any amount to HARC c/o Terry Maher,

P.O. Box 882, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0. If you want to be "privy" to more of the excellent work of this organization be sure to attend their next meeting - March 7, 7:00 p.m. at the MNR/OPP office in Minden (white building behind the main one).

A trail in my backyard?

The Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network is pleased to announce an upcoming workshop on landowner liability. This full day workshop is being organized by the Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council and will be held on April 3 at the Pinestone Inn. The purpose of this event is to explore the topic of public access to private lands and landowner liability. The lineup of speakers includes keynote Ian Attridge, Counsel for Georgian Bay Land Trust and Canadian Environmental Law Association; Rick Barnard - LMF Pro-link Insurance Brokers -

"What landowners should do to be properly insured"; Greg Mulligan - Bouren, Jenkins and Mulligan of Orillia and Beaverton Real Estate lawyer - "Case Law"; Bill Bowick - President of Ontario Trails Council in Ontario - "Managing Trails"; and Martha Anslow - Master's Degree at Trent University on Public Access to Private Land; topic - "Landowner Perspectives". There will also be a panel discussion on "Practical Solutions".

Watch the local media for an opportunity to register. For more information contact Carolyn Coburn (705) 286-2484 email: ccoburn@halhinet.on.ca, or Brent Wootton (705) 447-2628 email: bwootton@trentu.ca.

For more information about the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network please contact Jan Thomas by phone - 705-286-1760; email info@trailsandtours.on.ca; or in person at the Chamber of Commerce office.

Gooderham school is now a chess powerhouse

--submitted--

A little over a year ago there wasn't a complete chess set at Gooderham Elementary School. Yet on Saturday, February 26 six students from the school qualified to go to the provincial age-level championships in London, April 29. The six students won the right to go on at the Canadian Youth Chess Championships qualifying tournament in Lindsay this past Saturday.

Kaila Grech (under 10), Devin Hunter and Jacqueline Grech (under 12) all won their round-robin cells to earn the right to proceed, while Brandon Loney, Jordan Lesich and Kelly Dobson (under 12) all met the qualifying standard that entitles them to continue on to the provincial final. (Josh Pasley of JDHES also earned the right to continue in the under 12 category).

Winners there will proceed to the national championship, and those winners will earn the right to attend the World Youth Chess Championship.

Gooderham Elementary School has just over

50 students, but it has made a quick transition from a non-entity to a chess powerhouse because of the enthusiasm of the students supported by a shoestring budgeting. Last year students played on miniature sets bought for \$1 at the local stores.

After the school hosted the Haliburton County Scholastic Chess Tournament last year, the modest profit was invested in some new full-sized chess sets. With their new sets in place, chess-mania took over, and so now most students in grades 1-6 play in the

school's tournaments and ladder competitions.

The students at Gooderham Elementary School have a remarkable enthusiasm for the game, and so they take every opportunity to play and improve their skills. Furthermore, some students are now teaching their parents the fundamentals of the game.

Gooderham Elementary School will again be hosting a grade-level chess tournament on March 24th that will send students to the provincial and national grade-level tournaments later this year.

Student theatre

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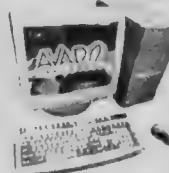
lead the players to exit their scene using either of two doors on the stage, one "light", the other "dark". The directors are accompanied by two little minions who introduce the characters in the play. Each of the individuals being auditioned has a name that is colour-coded. The audience is left to assign the personality to each as the characters perform their auditions.

"The play has come a long way," said Dobson as he watched the cast rehearse last Thursday. "I really think we can take this somewhere and the students can take pride in the fact that they are not only performing it, but that they wrote it as well."

The play will be performed Thursday, March 9 at Georgian College in Barrie at the Sears Drama Festival for high schools.

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ASES students enjoy chance to hear from Japanese teacher

Archie Stouffer Press Club Member - Tyson C. Farrell

On February 4, Shoko Kanda, came to teach Japanese to the students of Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

Shoko is visiting Canada from a small town named Chiba, near Tokyo, Japan. Shoko teaches subjects such as calligraphy, Sumo wrestling, origami, cooking, singing, reading and writing Japanese. She will be in Canada for a year teaching these subjects to public schools across Ontario.

Shoko said, "I love to teach. There was no job for me to teach English in Japan, so I volunteered to teach Japanese in Canada and I'm having a great time!"

The school Librarian, Mrs. Marks O'Sullivan said, "The students are learning a lot from Shoko. It's great for them to meet someone from a different culture."

The students had a great time working with Shoko. One of their favorite subjects was the Sumo wrestling.

Shoko had to leave Archie Stouffer on Friday, February 18 to teach in Haliburton. She hopes to come back to Archie Stouffer to teach again next year. The students of Archie Stouffer can't wait for her return.



THIRD IN ZONE: After finishing first at the school level of the Royal Canadian Legion Remembrance Day Poster Contest, Intermediate colour division, Cindy Malloy of Carnarvon placed third in the Zone competition. Cindy is presented with her third place Zone F4 certificate by Francine Newton of the Minden Legion Branch 636. The certificate was presented at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in February.

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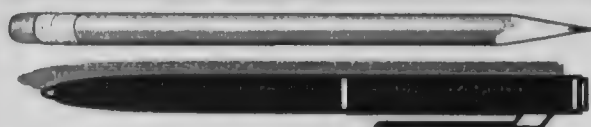
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Merchants still worried about security even though break-ins are down

by student reporter Jennifer Minto

The Minden Legion was the scene of a crime-stopping gathering recently.

Ontario Provincial Police Constables Phil Bronson, Laura Ostler and Curtis Fredericks hosted a seminar for Minden area merchants to inform them how to stop criminal activity at their premises. The information meeting was sponsored by the Minden Business Association.

The merchants were surprised to learn that almost 650 businesses were broken into in 1998. While that number has decreased, the officers said the reduction was not enough to suit the OPP.

Maurice McKee, who operates his own security alarm company was also a guest speaker. A member of the National Security Program, CANASA, he installs security systems throughout the area. McKee is a level two security installation specialist. He researched many security products, compared them with his own and improved the standards in many ways.

A 21 year resident in Haliburton, McKee knows what can happen in small communities. Many false alarms occur as a result of movement of household pets and rodents, which inadvertently set off alarm systems. He told the merchants that in 1994, all of the installations he completed were for houses or businesses which had already been broken into two to three times. In 1999, merchants and home owners are installing a system because they want to solve the problem before it happens.

The OPP officers told McKee it often takes some time to get to a house when an alarm is activated. They suggested that the directions given to the operators who monitor the alarms in Toronto were not precise. "We are operating with various maps and travelling around on whims sometimes," said Constable Bronson. He suggested that the police are often frustrated because the directions provided by the alarm company are incomplete.

"The details aren't often precise enough for us to get there in time, and that is a problem," Ostler said. She explained companies which monitor the alarms often provide the OPP with directions that are sketchy at best. For example one alarm company asked the police to respond to a residence providing information that the property was located in "Haliburton". There was no mention of a road

name or a mail box or anything that would assist the police in finding the home. McKee reassured the police that the information given to the security firms is now checked by the installer to ensure it is accurate and complete and that systems are better.

The Minden merchants were concerned with the security aspects and were quick to ask questions about motion detectors as well as the difference between wire and wireless systems. The police officers who attended reassured them that there are ways to stop the crime from taking place. Ostler encouraged a relay system for the Minden merchants and encouraged them to work together as a team. (A relay system is a phone tree in which information about counterfeit money or bad cheques can be shared quickly among the merchants.)

The seminar provided some valuable information for the merchants on upgrading their security systems and taking precautions to prevent a break-in in the first place.



Maurice McKee, right, and Constable Phil Bronson addressed a business security seminar held recently at the Minden Legion. The meeting was sponsored by the Minden Business Association.

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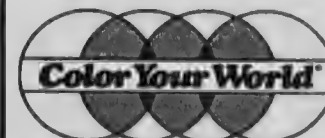
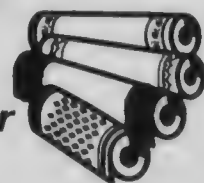
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NOTICE OF MEETING

The County of Haliburton is in the process of gathering broad public input towards policies and guidelines to be included in the County Official Plan. Two workshops have been accomplished dealing with Resource Extraction and Environmental issues.

The next workshop will take place March 10th at 1:00 p.m. at the County Council Chambers and will focus on Settlement Patterns.

Contact the County Office at (705) 286-1333 if further information is required.

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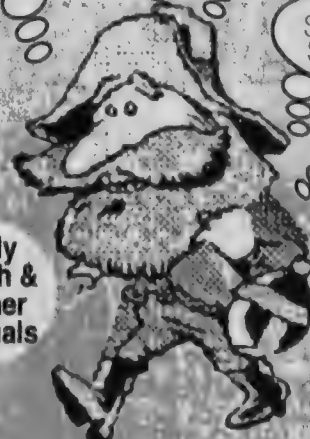
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Five years of balanced budgets

John O'Reilly, Member of Parliament for Haliburton-Victoria-Brock stated he is very happy and encouraged by the government's announcements and proposals from the 2000 Federal Budget.

"This is a budget of a very different era. The deficit is gone and it's clear that we've entered an era of surplus. This budget will benefit income levels of all Canadians.

"Individuals from this riding and across Canada told us they wanted tax cuts, increased health care and social spending, and debt reduction. Well the Finance Minister delivered on all fronts. Today the federal government wanted to repay Canadians for their patience during the years of cutbacks and sacrifice," stated Mr. O'Reilly.

This budget:

- announces the fourth consecutive federal enrichment of the Canada Health and Social Transfer (CHST) to help provinces and territories meet what Canadians have identified as their highest priorities: health care and higher education;

- puts forward a five-year plan to reduce taxes, immediately restores full indexation of the personal income tax system to protect taxpayers against inflation, and cuts tax rates for the first time in 12 years;

- improves significantly the income support available to parents by increasing the Canada Child Tax Benefit (CCTB) and enhancing parental leave; and

- proposes initiatives to promote leading-edge research in universities, research hospitals and the private sector; to develop new environmental technologies and improved practices; and to strengthen provincial and municipal infrastructure.

This would be the first time in 50 years that the budget has been in surplus or balance for five consecutive years. In fact, since Confederation there have been only two other occasions when the Government of Canada recorded balanced budgets or better at least five years in a row.

"I'm happy to see that the National Defence Department received additional funding, as this department has been underpaid and using ancient equipment for too long. The infrastructure program was a huge success in this riding and the federal government has made a priority to reach an agreement with the provinces and municipalities by the end of 2000," stated Mr. O'Reilly.

When the Government first took office in 1993, it set out a plan to restore the nation's finances, build a stronger, more innovative economy and improve the quality of life for all Canadians. The plan is working.

Highlights of the 2000 federal budget

- Personal and corporate taxes will be cut by at least \$58 billion over the next five years, meaning a \$500 tax cut this year for the average family of four.

- The personal income tax system will be fully indexed to inflation, ending so-called bracket creep.

- The maximum Canadian Child Tax Benefit for a family's first child rises from \$1,805 to \$2,056 in July and increases to \$2,400 for a first child and \$2,200 for a second child by 2004.

- A five per cent surtax on high-income earners will be phased out by 2004, starting with its elimination for those earning up to \$85,000 on July 1.

- The corporate tax rate will be reduced to 21 per cent from 28 per cent over the next five years.

- Funding for research through the Canadian Foundation for Innovation gets a \$900 million boost, bringing the government's investment in the foundation to \$1.9 billion.

- \$700 million will be spent to promote environmental technologies and practices.

- Maternity and parental leave will be doubled under the Employment Insurance plan to one year for parents with a child born or adopted after Dec. 31.

- Social transfer payments to the provinces will be increased by \$2.5 billion over four years. The fourth straight increase to the CHST.

- Customs will get \$87 million over the next three years to make border systems more efficient and put extra resources into monitoring the movement of high-risk people and goods.

- The Solicitor General is getting \$810 million over the next three years, the vast majority of which will go to cash-strapped Mounties, officials said. CSIS will also get some of the cash.

- Citizenship and Immigration will receive \$371 million in new funding over the next three years to spend on improving the immigration and refugee determination systems.

- Tax changes for people with disabilities will amount to an estimated \$45 million a year.

- Defence will get about \$1.7 billion more over the next three years

- The foreign content limit on RRSP will be increased to 25 per cent this year and 30 per cent in 2001 from the current level of 20 per cent.

- Over the next two years, another \$450 million will be spent on infrastructure, and another \$550 million a year will be spent in each of the four years after that.

Additional information is available on the Internet at: <http://www.fin.gc.ca/>

Ottawa report

by John O'Reilly, MP



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Celebrations at Hyland Crest

Here we are at the beginning of another Senior League and once again everything is covered in white. We knew the spring-like weather was too good to last. March came in like a lion, we hope it will go out like a lamb.

As promised we want to tell you about our February Birthday Party. The biscuits were delicious, the cream cheese spreads were yummy and different. Chocolate cake and raspberry ripple ice cream was served for dessert. Don't you wish you had been there?

Last Friday, Sid and Earl Cooper along with Les Schell and Kathleen Owens provided us with some good old foot stompin music. We thoroughly enjoyed Les singing the old time songs. They brought back fond memories to us. Coopers, Schell and Owens are welcome anytime.

On the weekend we had lots and lots of visitors. On Saturday morning the ladies got their nails done and in the afternoon some residents had one-to-one attention with the Fun and Leisure program. Everyone then enjoyed "Moosetracks" ice cream cones. There were big pieces of yummy chocolate and we don't know what else, but it sure was good!

On Sunday, the treat wagon came around in the morning and later in the day our auditorium was pretty well full of residents and guests who gathered to hear the Norland Hillbillies. We think it is so great that they come to entertain us on a Sunday.

Monday morning we all got "fit" with Kelly and then some of us got lucky at bingo. Tuesday morning our new lay preacher Noreen Ueberer from Norland, Kinmount and Burnt River United Church charge, conducted a beautiful memorial service in memory of Bertha Hughes. Many of us have fond memories of Bertha.

The craft group finished the St. Patty's decorations and have started on Easter. No grass grows under their feet. A Joyful Noise was heard Tuesday evening. As always their music was enjoyed by all. We are thankful they come to see us all the way from

Wilberforce area. The die-hard euchre players enjoyed their game on Wednesday. Later the Norland Hillbillies entertained us at Pub Night. A couple of the Hillbillies had reason to celebrate. We won't tell why.

Today, Thursday, March 2, we look forward to another tea party hosted by the Haliburton U.C.W. Not only do we look forward to the great goodies, but visiting with the

groups that provide it.

As we write this, Roy Nicholls, Peg Packer and Lilian Harrison are busy working with Marg whipping up some more goodies. Are we ever spoiled?! We welcome Mary Robinson to our home. We hope she will enjoy it here.

Until next week take care and God Bless and Sheila get back here. The reporters miss you!

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Mr. Leslie A. Shepherd CAO/County Engineer
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The County of Haliburton is seeking a Secretary/Receptionist at the County Administration Office in Minden for a six month contract position. The successful candidate should be flexible and able to work independently or as part of a team. Preference will be given to those with a 60 wpm typing ability; demonstrated proficiency with Microsoft Office including e-mail/internet functions; and the ability to manage a multi-line office phone system in a pleasant and confident manner. Written applications will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., March 10th, 2000

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LUTTERWORTH

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File # SR-10/99 and RD-3/99

Take Notice that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Lutterworth, proposes to enact a by-law to stop up, close and convey to the abutting property owner a portion of the original allowance for road set out and described as follows:

Firstly: ALL and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Lutterworth, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of part of the original sixty-six foot shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Part of Lot 10, Concession 11, and being more particularly described as Parts 14 and 15 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Haliburton as Plan 19R-6796.

Secondly: ALL and singular those certain parcel or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Lutterworth, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of part of the original sixty-six foot shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of the original allowance for road between Lots 10 and 11 in Concession 11, and being more particularly described as Part 16 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Haliburton as Plan 19R-6796.

Thirdly: ALL and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Lutterworth, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of part of the original sixty-six foot allowance for road between Lots 10 and 11 in Concession 11 and being more particularly described as Parts 17, 18 and 19 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Haliburton as Plan 19R-6796.

The Proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its Regular Meeting at the Municipal Office, located three miles south of Minden on Highway #35, on the 13th day of April, 2000, at the hour of 4:00 p.m. and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

Dated at the Township of Lutterworth this 29th day of February, 2000.

(Ms.) Mary Jane Irwin, A.M.C.T.,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Township of Lutterworth,
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Around the County Town

by Nora Snyder (call 286-4450; email <mindenhouse@on.aibn.com>)

Last Wednesday morning, on the dot of 9:00 a.m., the phone rang and Muriel McIntosh was on the other end saying, "I had to call you to say I saw a robin this morning!! I didn't really believe you when you told me someone had told you they had seen one!!"

Muriel and I had just met the day before on the phone as Ross Fletcher had been unable to phone in the bridge scores and Muriel made the call for him. Today as I write, there is snow on the ground, which fell over night. I hope the robins are okay!!

The remaining fish huts on our lakes look like they are 'walking' on water, as so much of the surface ice has melted. I hope folks are able to get them off!!

An early spring is an interesting phenomenon. Buds have appeared on trees, like the lilacs. I wonder if they will survive the fluctuations in temperature? Many birds are heard singing in the morning. A welcome sound. I miss them in the winter. I think the crows who stay don't even make sounds in the cold months. There will be interesting days ahead!!

Speaking of budding plants, the Minden and District Horticultural Society invites you to its monthly meeting on March 7 (tomorrow) at 7:15 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre. The guest will be speaking about 'How to Grow Champion Pumpkins!!' The Society is going to sponsor a 'Giant Pumpkin' contest in October 2000. (Now there's a project for the summer!!) The lunch at the meeting will honour St. Patrick's Day with Green Food!! Use your imagination when preparing your offering!! Also, don't forget the raffle table!! Everyone is welcome. Come on out!!

A pair of navy reading glasses were found at last month's Horticulture dinner. If anyone is missing them, contact one of the executive.

Also tomorrow, and a great start to the evening, is the Pancake Supper at St. Paul's Anglican Church. It is to be held between 5 and 7 p.m. Adults are \$5 and children \$2.50.

The Kinmount Model Railroad Club is looking for volunteers to staff the display of the model of the Kinmount to Haliburton train run at the old

Kinmount train station. The building is open to the public on Saturdays and Sundays from May 24 until Thanksgiving. The club is looking for volunteers to run the train and to answer the questions of the visitors. Apparently people come from all parts of the world and are most interested in the history of our area. What a great way to promote our area and to get involved in a fascinating hobby!! If you are interested in this endeavour please call Bob Mitchell at 488-2057.

I am looking for information from my past. When I came to Minden to open my B&B, I brought with me a 10 foot long pine table which had been part of the furniture left by the previous owners of St. Margaret's Island on Lake St. Nora. It served me well. It was quite a conversation piece because of its size and the patina of the 'old' wood. If it could talk, I am sure it could recount many fascinating tales from all the people who have sat around throughout its history. During my house decorations in the early winter, I decided to scale down, get a smaller table and to pass that one on to one of my daughters who very much wanted it in her home. The day of the move arrived, and in order to get it out of the house we had to take off one of the doors, turn it on its side and then on its back to put it in the truck. It was then we noticed some writing in pencil on one of the cross pieces. It said 'A. I. (or could it be J.) Hewitt, 1907'; obviously the builder of the table. The table has been in my family for all these years and I never saw the inscription before. Can anyone give me some information about this Mr. Hewitt?

I started the article in the rain and now, looking out the window, winter has returned with a vengeance!! Hard to keep up!! Whatever comes our way during the week, I hope you can handle it all!! See you here next Monday.

SCORING NEWS

Thursday, February 24 Minden Legion Euchre: Most lone hands were won by Ellen Holden and John Mallon. High scores were taken by Helen Skelding and Norm Lee and the lows by Verna McDonald and Rob Evans. Other prizes were won by Carol Hill, Roy McDonald and Vivian

Anderson.

Monday, February 28, The Friendship Club at St. Paul's: Don Hicks won the 50/50 draw. Gala Stamp (Gala gets around!!) won lone hands. Gladys Wruth was high woman and Joyce Ritchie was high man(?). The lows were taken by Jeanne Keliele and Bill Mosley.

Bid Euchre at Kinmount: Ida Young was first and Verna Crego was second. Ida Young also won the draw. The group welcomed a new player in the person of Theresa Deak!!

Cribbage at the Minden Legion: Roy McDonald and Carol Hill were high scorers. Kim McCabe and Esther Lee won the draws.

Club 35 Euchre: Alvin Cowen won the 50/50 draw and Marion Farr won lone hands. Verna Sawyer and Paul Thompson won the high scores while Kay Orr and Garth Windsor took the lows. Tom Orr was the lucky winner of the baloney!!

Tuesday, February 29, Contract Bridge at Stanhope: A 'Down to Basics' report this week again as Ross is away!! Also there were no slams bid or made. There were three and a half tables worth of players present though, which was a goodly number!! Edith Burch ended the day with the high of 5010 and Dorothy Thayer second with 4230 and then Betty Culley with 4220.

Senior Bid Euchre at the Minden Legion saw the winners: first, Shirley Elcome; then Kevin Maloney; Trudy Kroes; and Elva Paisley. Isabel Cherwenka won the hidden score and Pat Roussel, Ellie Langpohl, Irene Fuhr and Marcel Roussel won the moonshots.

In Gelert in the evening, playing Euchre saw the two Bettys' Curry and Hicks, win the high and low for the women. Bob Vick and Orval Francis did the same for the men. Harold Harvie won lone hands and Isabel Saunders won the 50/50 draw.

Wednesday, March 1: Duplicate Bridge players at Parklane played the Howell method. Jack Cox and Kelly Metcalf were first with 59%; Reet Murray and Alex McLeod, second with 56%; Jacqui Metcalf and Norman Wheeler, third with 52%.

Bid Euchre at Stanhope in the evening saw the players arrive in the rain and drive home in snow flakes!! Bob Evans, Marjorie Cowen, Trudy Kroes, Gala Stamp won one moonshot each and Gayle McConnell won two!! The top scorers were: Trudy Kroes with 271; Olive Jones, 173; Stan Dutka, 283; Willy Cox, 311; and Marj Hamilton, 344!!

Have another good week at the tables!!



THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON requires an

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Minden & District Horticultural Society

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Vera M. Empey.

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(Resident of Oshawa, Ontario) At his residence on Monday, February 29, 2000 in his 67th year. Beloved son of the late Margaret and Bernard Cooper. Predeceased by his brothers Fred, Bernard, William, Bob and sister Margaret. Lovingly remembered by his many nieces and nephews. Friends were invited to call at the Coboconk Community Funeral Home, Cameron Street (on Hwy #35) in Coboconk on Sunday, March 5, 2000 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Monday morning, March 6, 2000 at 11 o'clock. Spring interment Pinegrove Cemetery, Norland. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Sick Children's Hospital Foundation would be appreciated by the family.



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